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To: Field Managers and Deputy State Directors

From: Deputy State Director, Support Services

Subject: Wyoming Pre-Season Fire Meeting: Fuels Meeting; King Radio Training

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The agenda for the Pre-Season Fire and Fuels meetings is attached. The meetings will be held at the Best Western Motel in Lander, Wyoming. A block of 30 rooms have been held under the name "BLM Pre-Season Fire Meeting" with check-in on May 9 th and check-out on May 11, 2006, telephone number 307-332-2847. Please plan on staying at this Motel since it will help reduce conference room costs to the BLM. A single room is \$60.00 per night and includes a complimentary continental breakfast. **Please make your reservations by May 1, 2006.**

Three separate meetings have been scheduled beginning on the afternoon of May 9, 2006.

The Fire Operations Group will meet in the *Wind River Room*, starting at 1p.m. and ending by 3 p.m. Target audience for the Operations Group is: Fire Operations Specialists, Zone Engine Module Leaders, as deemed appropriate by the Zone FMOs, Helicopter Managers and Assistant State FMO (as approved in the "Wyoming BLM Fire Operations Committee Charter").

The Fire Business Group will meet in the *Wind RiverRoom*, starting at 3 p.m. and ending by 5 p.m. Target audience is for FMOs and FOS'.

The Fuels and Forestry Group will meet in the *Freemont Room*, starting at 1 p.m. and ending by 5 p.m. Target audience for the Fuels and Forestry Group are Fuels Specialists who are programmed out of the 2823 and 2824 fuels programs and Zone Foresters. A presentation by Bob Budd, Executive Director of Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resources Trust Program, is also scheduled.

A separate aviation group meeting is not planned for this spring.

On May 10, 2006, the Pre-Season Fire/Aviation meeting will meet in the *Wind River Room* and will begin at 8 a.m. ending no later than 5 p.m. **Focus will be on operational issues relative to the upcoming fire season.** Zone FMOs, Fire Operations Specialists, Engine Boss', Dispatchers and Zone Aviation Managers should plan to attend. Field Managers and Public Affairs Specialists are welcome.

On May 11, 2006, from 8 a.m. to noon, a handheld King Radio training session will be given by Mark Joiner addressing radio operation, programming and concerns. Meeting will take place in the *Wind River Room*.

Any questions regarding the meetings should be directed to Stephen Eckert, Assistant State Fire Management Officer, at 307-775-6235, or John Glenn, State Fire Management Officer, at 307-775-6234.

/s/Craig Wood Acting

1 Attachment:

1 – Agenda (2 pp.)

2006 PRE-SEASON FIRE/AVIATION MEETING

Theme: "Safety will NOT be Compromised for Job Accomplishment"

Date/Time

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1:00 - 3:00: Fire Operations Group	Aitchinson		
<u>3:00 - 6:00</u> Fire Business Issues	Kerm		
1:00 - 6:00 Fuels and Forestry Group; Integrated Program of Work	Means		
May 10, 2006			
8:00 - 8:15 Welcome/Opening Remarks(Cell Phones; presenters)	Eckert, Glenn		
8:15 - 8:30 State Office Remarks, State Director	To be determined		
8:30 - 8:40 National Office remarks; updates; issues	Larry Sutton		
8:40 - 8:55 Operations Committee meeting report	Aitchinson		
8:55 - 9:35 Zone Reports(10 minutes each) fire organization; AOP's; issues/concerns for 2006?	Zone FMO's Status		
<u>9:35 – 9:45</u> Fuels Overview	Means		
9:35 - 9:55 WY, BLM, Fire Operational Reference	Aitchison		
9:55 - 10:15 BREAK			
10:15 - 10:30 Wyoming Fire Preparedness Review; Local Level 2006 Red Book, pg 19-2(dates, times, location)	Eckert		
10:30 - 10:50 Update on Wildland Fire Use; designated areas in WY	FMO's/Means		
10:50 - 11:10 Rural Fire Assistance	Kerm		
11:10 - 11:20 Severity Update: Requirements for Long/Short Term	Eckert		
11:20 - 11:35 Aviation (SAFECOM, FYI); ICQS	Kleiner		

<u>11:35 - 11:45</u> ES & R	Eckert
<u>11:45 - 1:00</u> LUNCH	
1:00 - 1:45 Rocky Mountain Fire-Weather update	Tim Mathewson
1:00 - 1:15 Budget: AWP(2810, 2823,2824,2852); mid-year	Eckert, Means
1:15 - 1:45 Procurement Issue Highlights	Kerm
<u>1:45 - 2:25</u> Fire Trespass	Mike Miller
2:25 - 2:45 WY State Helicopter Update; WFU; Rx Fire	Weidenhaft
<u>2:45 - 3:05</u> BREAK	
3:05 - 3:10 Fire Prevention; Fire Reporting; Public	Eckert
3:10 - 3:30 State Office Priorities and Strategic Planning	Glenn
<u>3:30 - 4:00</u> SAFETY	Glenn
OPEN DISCUSSION:	
DFMO Conference Calls (dates/times)	Eckert
May 11, 2006	
8:00 - 12:00 King Radio Training (Relm/BK King Radio Representative will be in attendance)	Joiner